



UB Highlights

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News & Events for August 15-31, 2008

Welcome Back Meetings

President Salonen will offer an update on recent events and discuss the coming academic year.

Tuesday, August 19, 10 a.m.

Undergraduate faculty, DuPont Tower Room

Thursday, August 21, 10 a.m.

Graduate faculty, DuPont Tower Room

Thursday, August 28, 11 a.m.

Administration and staff, DuPont Tower Room



Opening Events

Wednesday, August 20:

- New international student orientation
- Residence halls open for new international students
- Welcome coffee house, 4 p.m., Bernhard Center, University Gallery: faculty, staff, students

Thursday, August 21:

- New domestic student orientation
- Residence halls open for new domestic students
- New faculty orientation, 5th floor Wahlstrom
- Alumni Association welcome to students

Saturday, August 23: Residence halls open for returning students

Monday, August 25: Classes begin



President's Welcome Picnic

Thursday, August 21, 4 p.m.

Come and meet our new students and their families at an inspiring convocation ceremony, in the Mertens Theater, and afterwards join us for dinner on the Waldemere lawn. Free and open to all staff and faculty.



ELI Graduation

Friday, August 22, 11 a.m.

Seventeen students, 13 of whom will be continuing in graduate and undergraduate programs at UB, will graduate in ceremonies at the Student Center, Room 207/209. Two student-written skits will be performed. All are welcome to attend and congratulate.



**Purple Knights
Home Athletic Events
August 15-31, 2008**

Women's Soccer

**Aug. 29 (Fri.), 7 p.m., Southern New Hampshire @
Knights Field**

Welcome Back BBQ

Sunday, August 24, 6-9 p.m.

Everyone is invited to the Ped Mall (Wheeler Recreation Center if it rains) to join old and new friends for great food, games, music, and more, as we kick off the start of the fall 2008 semester. Free to all staff and faculty and their families.



Day Trip to NYC

Saturday, August 30

Take a trip to the Big Apple! For only \$30 for staff and faculty and \$35 for their guests round-trip transportation and a 2-hour guided sightseeing tour in a double-decker bus will be provided. Sign up or get more information in Room 116 Student Center.



Senior Design Show

Continues through September

The exhibition of the work of seniors in Graphic, Industrial, and Interior Design is again on display in the University Gallery, following a hiatus for refinishing of the Gallery's floors. After classes begin, Gallery hours will be Mon.-Sat., 9:30 a.m. through 5:30 p.m.

Good News

UB has received a \$75,000 federal Homeland Security grant as part of \$15 million funding given to Connecticut in 2008. The funds will be used to enhance coastal security and surveillance. Because of its position on Long Island Sound and near the harbor, UB is a unique point of refuge in man-made and natural disasters. The University is partnering with the City of Bridgeport on hazard prevention and preparedness.

UB ACHIEVEMENTS & HONORS

STUDENTS & ALUMNI

ATHLETICS

UB Women's Volleyball was honored for its academic performance in 2007-08 by the American Volleyball Coaches Association. The Purple Knights were one of 39 Division II programs to earn the Team Academic Award.

More Good News

- Drs. Hans van der Giessen, Paul Lerman, Daniel Han, and Xinlong Weng visited 7 Chinese universities to discuss UB collaborations this summer. President Salonen signed memorandums of understanding June 25-27 with 4 Chinese institutions to exchange faculty and students, develop joint academic courses and programs, and organize conferences and seminars.
- July 22-28, President Salonen visited Jordan, with Prof. Abdelshakour Abuzneid, and Egypt, with Prof. Khaled Elleithy, and signed MOUs with 3 universities (with another pending) to enhance scientific and cultural cooperation.

President Neil Salonen visited with alumni in Tokyo on June 29. He is shown below with, front, from left, Kazuyuki Mabuchi, Katsushi Hayashi, Junichi Konno, and Yukari Enomoto. At rear, from left, are Kiyoshi Anzai, Hisaya Kakizoe, Koji Okada, President Salonen, reception host Shintaro Akatsu, and Yasuhiro Tsuji. UB junior Chris O'Neill, who was in Japan under UB's Study Abroad program, is not shown but also attended.



FACULTY & STAFF

ADMINISTRATION

Rebecca Salonen, wife of President Neil Salonen, made a presentation on June 6 at the annual conference of the National Council for Research on Women held at NYU. As part of a panel discussion entitled, "Does the Community Divide Exist? Working and Researching across Communities for Social and Political Change," she discussed her work educating young women in Uganda who are at risk of forced female genital mutilation.

ARTS & SCIENCES

Gary Munch, lecturer in design and director of the University Gallery, presented a project, "Open Stroke Surgery: A Dissection of Letterform Bodyparts into Modular Elements for a Flexible Prototyping Base Font," at TypeCon 2008, in Buffalo in July. The conference is for type designers, typographers, type historians, reading researchers, and lovers of type.

CHIROPRACTIC

Anthony Lisi, associate professor of clinical sciences, has been appointed to oversee chiropractic care for the Veterans Health Administration, serving more than 7.8 million enrolled veterans – the largest health care system in the country. Dr. Lisi will guide the expansion of the VHA chiropractic program, established in 2004 following legislation that requires at least one chiropractor in each of VHA's 21 regions.

DENTAL HYGIENE

Laura J. Greco and *Wendy M. Garcia*, assistant professors of dental hygiene, have published a clinical feature article, "Post Traumatic Stress Disorder: Treatment with Confidence, Competence, and Compassion," in the July issue of the American Dental Hygienists' Association's journal, *Access*.

Did we miss something? *UB Highlights* is published twice monthly during the academic year and monthly in January, June, and July to inform the University community about UB events and achievements. To comment or to list your event or award, e-mail Rebecca Salonen, UBHighlights@bridgeport.edu, or call x4988.